

Supplemental forcing ...

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I can see where the supplemental forcing is set (e.g. `time_interp_stg4`, which puts it in the **local variables** `pcp()` and `cpcp()`). However, I can't see how this gets to any of the LSMs. The `f2t` routines (I am looking specifically at `noah.2.7.1`) just seem to use the base forcing for precip. Where is the supplemental forcing applied?

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Apr 18, 2008 **1. Re: Supplemental forcing** Jun 18, 2008 5:17 PM

I now see where `precip_stg4` set `suppfors(n)%suppdata(:,:)`, which can be used by an LSM (but is it?). However, `time_interp_stg4`, which is called later, does not seem to set any variables that any external routines can see. Am I missing something?

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Apr 18, 2008 **2. Re: Supplemental forcing** Jun 18, 2008 6:39 PM

in response to: [cbblanke](#) OK, I guess `ESMF_ArrayGetData` (in `time_interp_stg4`) is associating the pointer `pcp` with the (type `ESMF_Array`) `pcpArr`, so that when `pcp()` is set to something, that sets the `pcpArr` which ESMF can access from another subroutine (`f2t`) using `ESMF_ArrayGetData` again. Am I interpreting that right? `ESMF_ArrayGetData` can store the local variable in an `ESMF_Array`, or get the `ESMF_Array` into the local variable?? I thought I understood Fortran but this is new to me. I am looking at the ESMF Reference Manual 1.0.5, page 130, but the example is not very enlightening to me.

ftp://ftp.ucar.edu/pub/*esmf*/esmf_docs/ESMF_1_0_5_refdoc.pdf [geiger](#) 19 posts since

Sep 20, 2007 **3. Re: Supplemental forcing** Jun 19, 2008 11:10 AM

in response to: [cbblanke](#) Hello,

Statements like

```
"call ESMF_StateGetArray(FORC_State(n),"Rainfall Rate",pcpArr, rc=status)"
```

get an ESMF array object. Here it finds "Rainfall Rate" in the base forcing and labels it `pcpArr`.

Statements like

```
"call ESMF_ArrayGetData(pcpArr,pcp,ESMF_DATA_REF,status)"
```

get data out of an ESMF array object. Here `pcp` is a pointer. You are not making a local copy of "Rainfall Rate", rather you are pointing to it.

So now

```
"pcp(c) = suppfors(n)%suppdata2(1,index) / 3600.0 "
```

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takes the supplemental precipitation data and assigns it to pcp. pcp points to the "Rainfall Rate" data in the baseforcing. So here you are replacing the precipitation with the supplemental data.

So when the LSM gets forcing data from f2t, it is getting any supplemental data that you are using.

Jim

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Apr 18, 2008 4. **Re: Supplemental forcing** Jun 19, 2008 12:00 PM

in response to: [geiger](#) OK, thanks. I believe I follow what is going on.